CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1 - 97. (canceled)

98. (new) A method for the provision of switching signals in a system having a plurality of switch devices, the method comprising the steps of:

generating the switching signals depending on whether a switch device is actuated selectively by a user,

coupling a unidirectional signal within the framework of actuation of the switch device a unidirectional signal is coupled with the user and transmitted by the user, and

generating the switching signal on the basis of the unidirectional signal coupled with the user such that each switch device generates a switch device-specific unidirectional signal.

99. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein the unidirectional signal is transmitted via the user to a central registration zone.

100. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein the unidirectional signal is coupled with the user on the basis of field-electric interactive effects.

101. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein the unidirectional signal contains a data telegram.

102. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein the unidirectional signal is generated in dependence on the actuation of the switch device.

103. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein a key device carried on the person of the user generates a key signal that is also coupled with the user.

104. (new) The method defined in claim 103, wherein the switching signal is generated depending on whether the key device is in the proximity of the user or provides defined signal patterns.

105. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein a central registration takes place via a seat electrode.

106. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein the seat electrode is integrated in a vehicle seat.

107. (new) The method defined in claim 1 to 9, wherein when the user touches the switch device he is coupled with an oscillating system, means are provided to establish whether the

user is coupled with this oscillating system, and the switching signal is generated depending on whether it is established that the user is coupled with the oscillating system.

108. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein fact the oscillating system is coupled with the user by capacitive means via a touch contact.

109. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein a signal event is coupled with the user by capacitive means and the switching signal is generated depending on the capacity to absorb an event.

110. (new) The method defined in claim 98, wherein the switch device forms a modulated signal sink.

111. (new) The method defined in claim 110, wherein the modulation of the sink takes place on a switch device-specific basis.

112. (new) The method defined in claim 111, wherein the modulation of the sink takes place depending on the signal content of the signal event coupled into the user.

113. (new) A circuit arrangement with several switch devices for execution of the method defined in claim 1.